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1. The Soviet authorities in Rumania have long been exercising all their wiles to get more meat for the canning factories. A recent decision of the Rumanian Government has now granted amnesty to every one who has hitherto found it impossible to make all the required deliveries to the state. Such a failure could, otherwise, have involved these people in severe penalties.
2. At the same time, the Rumanian Government is setting up what is called a system of "encouragement" for supplementary meat deliveries. This system provides advances of money for cattle and poultry delivered by the peasants. There are special awards for any additional weight the live stock may have gained between the date of contract and the date of delivery.
3. All this seems to appeal to the peasants who, for the time being, are letting themselves be deceived by these Soviet maneuver. On the other hand, the Rumanian peasants still refuse to deliver the quantities of wheat demanded by the government. In many regions the percentage delivered is very low; in others, it is at least below half. The Communist government is trying to think up some ingenious new device to get out of this difficulty.

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